News Release JPL Business Opportunities Manager Receives Legacy Award March 6, 2007

Thomas H. May, Manager of the Business Opportunities Office and Supplier Diversity Program at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., received the Legacy Award by the U.S. Small Business Administration's Los Angeles District Office Director Alberto Alvarado.

May received the 2007 Legacy Award for successfully increasing contracting to small, minority and women-owned businesses on March 6. This award was presented during the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual JPL High-Tech Conference for Small Business held at the Radisson Hotel near Los Angeles International Airport.

For the past 19 years, May has successfully brought together prime contractors, corporate, federal, state and city government representatives and the small business community to discuss potential contracting and subcontracting opportunities. Over 1,000 people attended to network and form teaming relationships.



JPL's Thomas May, Manager of the Business Opportunities Office and Supplier Diversity Program. Image credit: NASA/JPL.

JPL's Supplier Diversity Program assists small, minority, women and veteran-owned businesses. The program's major goal is to increase the maximum number of procurement actions and dollars awarded to small businesses each year.

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